

Catholics Want \$5,000,000 Navy And Army Fund

Will Organize Religious and Social Work in Camps

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Chinese Toddle and Minuet to Clash Here

Masters of Old and Modern Schools of Dancing to Hold Rival Sessions

One hundred staid dancing masters who still pine for the minuet will bear down on New York next week, all primed to do battle with the modern dancers, who formed their own organization last year, when they just one-stepped right out of the American National Association of Masters of Dancing.

When the parent organization decided to hold its convention at the Hotel Astor from August 22 to September 1, the Inner Circle called its meeting for August 20 to September 1 at the McAlpin.

Anyway, they're both going to meet, and predictions are that something good will come of the warfare, if it's only a new war dance. Meantime the two organizations are calling the attention of the public to the fact that the radicals, who in their turn are referred to indirectly as "lounge lizards."

G. Hepburn Wilson, president of the Inner Circle, is sanguine over the nickname, however.

"If Pavlova and Mrs. Castle, and Ruth St. Denis are lounge lizards," said he, "the rest of our membership can stand the charge."

The American National Association, of which Mosco Christenson is president, will introduce to the convention new dances featuring military steps. They are: Masque, of Milan; Italy; Veronique; Vastoff and Sonia Serova and Ila D. Knowles will be on their programme.

On the Inner Circle programme are: Oktober Dattick, ballet master of the Metropolitan Opera; Ned Wayburn, Frank H. Norman, William J. Lee, supervisor of recreation in New York; Oscar Duryea and G. Hepburn Wilson. New dances to be offered are the Hamlet, the Southern Toddle, Hello Pal and the 1918 Tango.

B.R.T. Ordered to Buy 250 Cars Immediately

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The commission issued the order on February 19, 1917, and the Brooklyn company obtained a writ of certiorari, which held the matter up in the courts.

Commissioner Travis H. Whitney and ex-Judge William L. Ransom, counsel to the commission, both issued statements yesterday declaring that the decision would greatly strengthen the powers of the Public Service Commission.

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Military Camps For Public School Boys Proposed

All-Year Training in Barracks Near City Planned

The training camps for boys of twelve and over conducted this year at Speedway Park, Sheephead Bay, and last year at Fort Hamilton, by the National School Camp Association, have been so successful that the association plans the establishment of similar summer military training camps as a part of the school system of the United States.

Instead of the usual two or three months' vacation in the schools, when the boys are turned loose in the streets, the officers of the association, among them Herman A. Metz, Senator William M. Calder, Edwin N. Appleton and Frederick L. Long, who originated the movement, believe that the schools should simply be transferred to barracks outside and near the city. The life of a soldier which the boys would lead in such an institution would be a splendid start toward later training if universal service is to be adopted permanently in this country.

The two camps conducted by the association are the largest of their kind ever held in the United States, nearly two thousand boys having attended them for periods of from two weeks to two months or more. The camp for high school boys at Fort Terry last year had more enrolments for a single period, but was forced to suspend after the first month. The camp conducted by the state at Peekskill this year was the largest, but lasted only one month, and was only for boys selected from high schools.

Open to Boys Twelve or Over

The National School Camp at Speedway Park is open to any boy in the United States of twelve or over. Boys must stay at least two weeks, but may remain as long as they wish. Discipline is that of the regular army, and each lad has the status of an enlisted man, there being no commissioned officers. Instruction is given by drill masters who are graduates of the army.

The boys rise at 6 o'clock, take their physical exercises, breakfast, clean up the camp, drill all morning and devote the afternoon to athletic sports. Each alternate afternoon is given over to a ten-mile hike, and a splendid beach gives opportunity for water sports three times a week. Motion pictures and impromptu concerts afford entertainment three nights each week.

The cost of the camp is 30 cents a day, with an enrolment fee of 50 cents. The only other expense is the uniform, which is not over \$5. Many boys who are working in the city have taken advantage of the camp, sleeping, drilling and exercising at the Speedway and commuting to and from work each day.

The wholesome and healthful life led by the boys in the camps has such a deep effect on them that District Attorney Harry E. Lewis, of Brooklyn, who recently inspected the camp, said: "If this system is made general, in ten years it will be out of a job. More than half the work of the District Attorney's office comes from habits formed in boyhood."

Woods Favors System

Others strongly in favor of the school camps system are Major General Leonard Wood, Police Commissioner Arthur Woods and Mayor Mitchell, who is a member of the advisory council of the association.

The camp at Speedway Park can take about three hundred boys this year. Although it is proposed to close the camp September 1, it is probable that, as was the case last year at Fort Hamilton, it will be kept open until October to accommodate the large number of working boys who wish to remain during September.

Explosives Plant Burns

GARY, Ind., Aug. 11.—Fire believed to have been of incendiary origin destroyed about half the million-dollar plant of the Aetna Explosives Company near here, early today. Two employes named Holt and Chesser were arrested.

The plant was working on government contracts, it is said. It had a capacity of 40,000 pounds of powder a day. Probably sixty days will be needed to put the place in working order again.

Ban on Socialist Paper

Weekly Loses Second Class Mailing Privilege

CHICAGO, Aug. 11.—"The American Socialist," official weekly publication of the National Socialist party, today received word from Washington that its second class mailing privilege had been revoked.

The last three issues of the publication in June were held unmailable under the espionage law.

Manhattan Building Slump Not Due to War

Decrease of 96 Per Cent in July Traceable to Zoning Law

In July, 1916, plans were filed for new buildings in Manhattan to cost \$49,205,220. Last month the total estimated cost of new structures for the borough was only \$1,894,056. There were 505 buildings planned in July, 1916, and 313 last month.

This decrease of about 96 per cent in the July building operations compared with the figures for the corresponding month in 1916 is not traceable to war conditions. A building situation vastly different from the present one prevailed in July last year. It was in that month that the new zoning law, regulating the height and occupancy of buildings, went into effect. To evade the restrictions imposed hundreds of buildings that had very little chance of being constructed were planned.

A fairly accurate idea of how the war has affected local building operations may be had by comparing the estimated cost of the buildings projected last month with that for July, 1915. The comparison is:

July, 1917 \$1,894,056
July, 1915 4,845,303

The comparative July table for the other boroughs is as follows:

The Bronx \$29,247 \$1,283,266
Brooklyn 1,975,406 2,622,156
Queens 679,125 1,406,700
Richmond 124,556 615,723

"City Mothers" to Aid Mrs. Humiston's Work

One in Each District Planned to Help Find Lost Girls

A "city mother" for every Assembly district is part of the plan of the committee appointed on Friday to aid Mrs. Grace Humiston find the lost girls of the city. The body of Ruth Cruger was found on June 18 through Mrs. Humiston's efforts she has located more than forty girls whose disappearance had alarmed their parents. Most of these girls, it was said yesterday by Mrs. Isola Forrester, who is assisting Mrs. Humiston in organizing the rescue work, were driven away by unhappy home conditions, but there were several who were victims of foul play.

On the committee to assist Mrs. Humiston are men and women who took an active part in the Cruger case, or who have been working for years on the problems of delinquent girls.

Ruth Haven, the country home for girls, down on Long Island, will probably be opened this week.

In addition to appointing the "city mothers" to watch over the welfare of the girls of their own neighborhood the committee will advocate women police to guard women and girls in public places, and will urge a bill in the State Legislature raising the age of consent.

Officer of Russian Ship Found Shot in His Cabin

Vamintry Jankovoff, chief officer of the Kamnitz Padolsky, a cargo carrier of the Russian volunteer fleet, now at anchor in New York Harbor, was found in his cabin by members of his crew yesterday with a bullet wound in his right side. Valcin Litvinenko, chief officer of the Dorenoj, another ship of the fleet, who was in Jankovoff's cabin at the time of the shooting, told the police that the latter shot himself with a revolver. He said Jankovoff had been drinking and was despondent over his failure to receive news of his wife in Russia.

Jankovoff refused to tell the police how he obtained his wound, but after a thorough investigation the police of the Fourth Avenue station, in Brooklyn, said they were convinced the Russian officer had attempted suicide. He was taken to Brooklyn hospital, where it was said he would recover.

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Farmers' Prosperity Dampens 'Big Sea Day'

Wagons Ousted by Autos at Annual Picnic of Jersey's Country Folk

MANASQUAN, N. J., Aug. 11.—Big Sea Day was celebrated by New Jersey farmers and their families here today, but it was not like the Big Sea days of years gone by. There was a time when the rural folk of Monmouth, Middlesex, Ocean and Mercer counties drove down the sunny pikes in their creaking farm wagons for their annual picnic and jubilee.

They came in just as great numbers today—more, in fact, than ever before—but they came honking down to the beach in divers and cars of even more pretentious size until speed laws were sorely strained, if not broken. And swept along with the old farm wagon into the realm of things-as-they-used-to-be were the overalls and calico frocks. This year Hank could have put many a professional fisherman to shame in his trim, belted, tight-fitting swimming suit, and as for Mary Jane, had not every available policeman been needed for traffic duty to keep the automobiles in their places, they might have been called upon to wield their powers of censorship on her bathing costume. The most daring of Jersey beach sirens might have taken lessons in brevity from Mary Jane.

About the only party who had not changed were the fakers. Their eloquence was still capable of making Hank's pa pay \$1 for a 15-cent horse-ship.

Auto Jumps Bridge; 5 Hurt

Two Fatally Injured in Plunge Into Thames River

WATERBURY, Conn., Aug. 11.—Five young men were injured today, two of them fatally, when an automobile plunged through a bridge over the Thames River. The water was low and all of the injured managed to keep their heads above its surface until rescuers extricated them from the debris.

Howard Needham sustained a fracture of the skull, and Thomas Mullins had both legs crushed and was internally injured. The others were Arthur Whittaker, George Burrell and Corporal Leroy, of Company K, 1st Infantry. They were taken to Wing Memorial Hospital, Fairfield, Mass. All of them live in Stafford Springs, Conn.

Woman, Pushed Before Train, Killed; Man Is Arrested

CAMDEN, N. J., Aug. 11.—A woman was run over and killed here today by a Pennsylvania train. According to an engineer, she was pushed upon the tracks by a man who then fled.

The body was mangled almost beyond recognition, but was later claimed by William Gordon, of 409 Van Hook Street, as that of his wife, Gordon was locked up pending investigation by Prosecutor Kraft. Later developments showed that, although the woman had been living with Gordon, she was in reality the wife of Joseph Otto, of Trainer, Penn.

Boston Port Closed at Night

BOSTON, Aug. 11.—The port of Boston has been ordered closed to shipping between sunset and sunrise, it was announced yesterday.

8,000 Coal Miners On Strike in South

Demand Recognition of Their Union and New Scale of Wages

LEXINGTON, Ky., Aug. 11.—Reports reached here tonight that a strike was begun in the Southeastern Kentucky and Northeastern Tennessee coal fields at 4 o'clock this afternoon. Between 8,000 and 10,000 men walked out.

The union leaders claim that the number of strikers will be doubled within a short time and that the only men who will remain at work are those employed in the mines that have already acceded to the demands of the union. The men are asking for recognition of the union and a new wage scale. No disorder has been reported.

The power house at the affected field was destroyed by fire early today. The origin of the fire is not known. The loss was placed at \$7,500.

Negro's Hat New Clew in Policeman's Murder

Stamford Dealer Identifies "Stetson" as Belonging to Man Now in Tombs

What the police of the 4th Branch Detective Bureau believe to be an important clew in connection with the murder of Robert H. Holmes, a negro patrolman attached to the West 135th Street station, on August 6, was established last night, when Edward Fairchild, a shopkeeper of Stamford, Conn., identified a hat found in the hallway where the patrolman was derailed as one he had to Walter Hill, a negro, of 121 West Spruce Street, Stamford, Conn., now locked up in the Tombs charged with the murder.

Fairchild said that in April of this year he sold the hat, a brown soft one of Stetson make, to Hill for 50 cents. The hat had been found on the street in front of his shop, Fairchild said, and Hill purchased it a short time later.

Fairchild later positively identified Hill as the man to whom he sold the hat. It was further established by the police that on the night of the murder Hill called on a girl at 14 West 134th Street, where the crime was committed.

145 Grade Crossing Gates Ordered Closed at Night

The Public Service Commission has adopted an order directing the New York Central Railroad, the Long Island Railroad, the Staten Island Rapid Transit Company and the Staten Island railway companies to lower the gates at 145 grade crossings between the hours of midnight and 6 a. m. as a measure of protection to vehicular traffic.

The crossings affected include nine on the Hudson River Division of the New York Central along Riverside Park on the lines of the Long Island Railroad in Brooklyn; 100 on the lines of the Long Island company in Queens, and thirty-three on Staten Island.

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The Extraordinary Sale of CHOICE ORIENTAL RUGS now being held on the Fifth Floor, will be continued during the remainder of the month. The prices asked are in all cases considerably lower than the prevailing market quotations. Of special interest during the current week will be ROOM-SIZE ORIENTAL RUGS | MEDIUM SIZE ORIENTAL RUGS at \$190.00, 260.00, 390.00 to 750.00 | at \$58.00, 68.00, 90.00 & 110.00 SEVERAL HUNDRED SMALL ORIENTAL RUGS . . . each \$22.50 ORIENTAL RUGS in extra large sizes at extremely moderate prices. Rugs purchased during this Sale will, if desired, be stored without charge until the Autumn.

Women's Philippine Undergarments (all hand-embroidered) will be on sale to-morrow and Tuesday on the Second Floor, at the special prices quoted. Nightrobes . . . \$1.90, 2.10 & 2.75 Chemises . . . 1.45 & 1.75 Envelope Chemises . . . 2.10 & 2.75 Unusually Attractive Values are obtainable on the SIXTH FLOOR in Women's Summer Blouses and Garden Smocks at the final clearance prices of \$1.35, \$1.75 & \$2.50 and Women's Black Walking Pumps of kidskin or calfskin selected from regular stock and reduced to \$4.75 per pair. A Monday and Tuesday Sale of Household and Decorative Linens will comprise the following, all of which will be marked at prices below their actual worth. Linen Damask Table Cloths each . . . \$4.00, 5.00, 6.25 & 9.00 Linen Damask Napkins per dozen . . . \$4.75, 6.75 & 10.75 Huckaback Towels, hemstitched, per dozen . . . \$3.50 & 5.50 Turkish Bath Towels, hemmed, per dozen . . . \$3.75, 4.50 & 5.40 Madeira Tea Napkins hand-scalloped, with hand-embroidered corner . . . per dozen, \$6.00 & 6.75 Madeira Luncheon Sets (13 pieces), hand-scalloped and hand-embroidered, per set . . . \$5.00 & 5.50 (Fourth Floor, Madison Avenue section)